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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF AN ARTICLE BY LAURENCE STERN WHICH APPEARED IN THE WASHINGTON POST APRIL 6, 1973:

" U. S. HELPED BEAT ALLENDE IN 1964-- MAJOR INTERVENTION BY THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT HELPED TO DEFEAT SOCIALIST SALVADOR ALLENDE IN THE 1964 ELECTION FOR PRESIDENT OF CHILE, ACCORDING TO KNOWLEDGEABLE OFFICIAL SOURCES.

AMERICAN CORPORATE AND GOVERNMENTAL INVOLVEMENT AGAINST ALLENDE'S SUCCESSFUL CANDIDACY IN 1970 HAS BEEN THE CONTROVERSIAL FOCUS OF A SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE INVESTIGATION INTO THE ACTIVITIES OF U.S. MULTINATIONAL COMPANIES ABROAD.

BUT THE PREVIOUSLY UNDISCLOSED SCALE OF AMERICAN SUPPORT FOR CHRISTIAN DEMOCRAT EDUARDO FREI AGAINST ALLENDE SIX YEARS EARLIER MAKES THE EVENTS OF 1970 SEEM "LIKE A TEA PARTY," ACCORDING TO ONE FORMER INTELLIGENCE OFFICIAL DEEPLY INVOLVED IN THE 1964 EFFORT. UP TO \$20 MILLION IN U. S. UNCLASSIFIED

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FUNDS REPORTEDLY WERE INVOLVED, AND AS MANY AS 100 U.S. PERSONNEL.

THE STORY OF THE AMERICAN CAMPAIGN, EARLY IN THE JOHNSON ADMINISTRATION, TO PREVENT THE FIRST MARXIST GOVERNMENT FROM COMING TO POWER BY CONSTITUTIONAL MEANS IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE WAS PIECED TOGETHER FROM THE ACCOUNTS OF OFFICIALS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE ACTIONS AND POLICIES OF THAT PERIOD.

COLD WAR THEOLOGY LINGERED, AND YING TO COMMUNIST ARGUMENTS. HOWEVER, NOW THAT THE FRG WILL AGREE TO INCLUSION OF INNER- GERMAN ARRANGEMENTS UNDER THE TERMS OF BKC/ L (52) 6, WE SEE NO REASON TO GO THROUGH THE COMPLICATED PROCEDURE OF ESTABLISHING A SEPARATE CATEGORY. PARAGRAPH 2 OF THE ANNEX TO BKC/ L (52) 6 CLEARLY OBLIGES THE SENAT TO CARRY OUT ITS OBLIGATIONS, AND WE BELIEVE THIS REFERENCE CAN BE CITED TO REPLY TO ANY FURTHER COMMUNIST CRITICISM OF THE PROCEDURES WE HAVE ADOPTED.

- 7. WHAT IS MISSING IN THE TEXT OF BKC/ L (52) 6, WHICH IS INCLUDED IN THE DRAFT PREPARED IN BERLIN, IS LANGUAGE OBLIGING THE SENAT TO INFORM THE ALLIES AT AN EARLY DATE OF PROSPECTIVE INNER- GERMAN ARRANGEMENTS WHICH WILL AFFECT ALLIED RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN BERLIN. THIS LANGUAGE WAS INCLUDED BECAUSE, IN VIEW OF THE SPECIAL IMPORTANCE SOME INNER- GERMAN ARRANGEMENTS COULD HAVE FOR OUR POSITION IN THE WSB, IT WAS BELIEVED THAT CLEARER LANGUAGE THAN WAS CONTAINED IN BKC/ L (52) 6 CONCERNING THE NEED FOR PRIOR CONSULTATION SHOULD BE INCLUDED.
- 8. WHILE WE AGREE THAT INCLUSION OF SUCH LANGUAGE WOULD BE IN ALLIED INTEREST, WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT IT IS OF SUCH WEIGHT AS TO WARRANT OUR ENTERING INTO A LONG DEBATE WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND VERY PROBABLY WITH THE UK OVER THE ADVISABILITY OF ISSUING SUCH A BK/L. AS NOTED BY THE EMBASSY LAST FALL, WE CANNOT IN ANY CASE ASSURE THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILL CONDUCT SATISFACTORY CONSULTATIONS WITH THE THREE POWERS SIMPLY BECAUSE WE HAVE ORDERED THE SENAT TO INFORM US OF PLANS IN THIS AREA. THIS IS A QUESTION OF THE POLITICAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE THREE POWERS AND THE FRG IN BONN.
- 9. THE EMBASSY BELIEVES THE BEST MANNER OF PROCEEDING WITH DRAFTING IN BERLIN WOULD BE TO USE THE FIRST THREE PARAGRAPHS OF THE DRAFT PROPOSED BY THE CONFIDENTIAL.

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DEPARTMENT (REF B) WITH APPROPRIATE CHANGES. IN OUR VIEWS, THE BEST PLACE TO INSERT A REFERENCE TO BKC/ L (52) 6 WOULD BE AT THE END OF PARAGRAPH 2.

 $10.\;$ ACTION REQUESTED. DEPARTMENT' S GUIDANCE. HILLENBRAND

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